

## **Electric Vehicle Charging Station Policy**

The State of Maryland is committed to making meaningful reductions in greenhouse gas emissions. In order to achieve this goal, the State is making a significant investment in obtaining and promoting the use of electric vehicles (EVs). This includes the installation of EV charging stations in strategic locations throughout the State.

The State policy for the use of these charging stations is as follows:

- Charging stations will be designated as either being reserved for State vehicles alone or available for both state and private vehicle use.
- Charging stations reserved for State vehicles may be used only by vehicles with official State of Maryland government license plates.
- Charging stations available for both state and private vehicles may be used by any vehicle, including those driven by:
  - o State employees driving their personal vehicles to commute to work
  - o Non-State government agencies
  - o Commercial or nonprofit organizations
  - o Members of the public

Vehicles may pay a fee per kilowatt hour used, depending on the charging station. A placard on the charging station will provide details.

- In all cases, charging stations will be available on a first come, first served basis. Spaces designated for charging stations will not be reserved or otherwise marked off in a way that blocks access to them.
- An EV is to remain at a designated charging location only as long as it is being actively charged. Once it has completed it charging cycle, the vehicle is to be moved promptly to permit access by other vehicles.
- Parking is not permitted at charging stations for any vehicle unless it is actively being charged. Violators are subject to being towed.

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